



Crime and Punishment

Bremhill
1800-1849

1814

On Wednesday last William Tanner was committed to Fisherton gaol, charged with stealing an ewe sheep, belonging to Mr John Rogers of Bremhill; and on the same day Joseph Kercher was committed, charged with having in his possession base coin, in imitation of three shilling pieces and shillings.

Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 7 November 1814

OPC Comment: William Tanner was tried at the Lent Assize 1815 and found not guilty of Sheep Stealing (From the Criminal Registers)

1819

Prisoners for trial at the Lent Assizes.....
Besant at Bremhill, and stealing a coat.....

Solomon Blackford for breaking into the house of Joseph
Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 8 March 1819

1823

Wiltshire Sessions at Salisbury. Sentenced to one month at Fisherton gaol: P Hatherell, J Mangell, W Somers and A Rivers for an assault at Bremhill (and bound for good behaviour) **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 17 April 1823**

At the Petty Sessions held at Chippenham on 3rd inst David Hatherwell and Moses Smith both of Bremhill, were convicted of drunkenness; the former in the penalty of 15s for being drunk on three successive days, and the latter in the penalty of 10s for being so on two successive days. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 18 December 1823**

1824

At the Petty Sessions held at Chippenham on Wednesday se'nnight Charles Andrews of the parish of Bremhill was fined £50 for illegally selling beer and spirits. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 16 February 1824**

1825

Joseph Cole has been committed to the Old Bridewell, Devizes, charged with stealing two gallons of pig's victuals value sixpence! The property of Thomas Hatherill of Bremhill. **Lancaster Gazette Saturday 22 October 1825**

1826

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes: Thomas Simkins of Bremhill for three months, for a breach of the Game Laws. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 13 April 1826**

Salisbury Assizes. Sentenced to three months Robert Starr for stealing 2 cheeses at Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 15 July 1826**

1828

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Richard Hawkins for one month for leaving the service of Mr John Carpenter of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 26 June 1828**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Joseph Humphries, for one month, for a misdemeanour in the service of Mr George Gingell of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 30 October 1828**

1829

Wilts County Sessions. Six months: J Talbot for stealing £1 at Bremhill. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 22 January 1829**

On Sunday last the cheese loft of Mr Richard Chivers of Bremhill was broken into and about three cwt of cheese stolen. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 28 May 1829**

1831

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes Samuel Rawlings for one month for leaving his family chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 4 August 1831**

On Wednesday the 23rd ult the church and parsonage house at Bremhill, the residence of the Rev Canon Bowles, was broken open. From the church a surplice was stolen, and from the house (where it is supposed the thieves were disturbed) among a few articles of not much value, a small silver case having at one end an impression and arms "Sun and Moon" for a seal was carried off. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 15 December 1831**

1832

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Lucy Williams for being a lewd woman in the parish of Bremhill. One month. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 23 February 1832**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Anthony Head for one month, for leaving his family chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 28 June 1832**

Quarter Sessions for the county of Wilts. Wednesday. George Thomas for stealing an elm plank at Bremhill. 4 months. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 9 July 1832**

1833

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Thomas Dyke of Calne for three months, Abraham Rivers of Bremhill for two months, Henry Walter of Shalbourne for six weeks, William Walker of Chiseldon for one month and John Slade of Bremhill for twenty days, for breaches of the game laws. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 31 January 1833**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. William Slade for two months for assaulting W Powney, constable of Bremhill, while in the execution of his duty. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 25 April 1833**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Benjamin Slade for one month for leaving his family chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 31 October 1833**

At a Petty Sessions held last week at Chippenham, Isaac Gale and Alfred Gale, sons of a respectable farmer at Bremhill, were convicted of an assault on Mr John Bendry of the Three Crowns Inn, Chippenham, and his servant man. The defendants were fined £5, or, in default of payment to be committed to the House of Correction for two months each; and taking into consideration the numerous charges of assault made at different periods against the defendants, the Magistrates, to prevent the commission of such offences in future, bound them in £20 each to keep the peace for one year. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 11 November 1833**

1834

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. George Carpenter for fourteen days for leaving his family chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Hampshire Advertiser Saturday 17 May 1834**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Ann Thomson for one month for assaulting John Mansel of Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 21 July 1834**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. Benjamin Slade for two months for leaving his family chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 22 September 1834**

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. George Carpenter for one month for leaving his family chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 6 October 1834**

Committed to the Old Bridewell, Devizes. James Thomas, charged with stealing a piece of wood, the property of Ann Hughes Thomas of Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 6 October 1834**

Wilts Quarter Sessions. Two months- James Thomas for stealing a piece of wood at Bremhill. In solitude. **Hampshire Advertiser Saturday 25 October 1834**

1835

Committed to the House of Correction, Devizes. George Wells of Bremhill for twenty days for refusing to work. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 16 February 1835**

Committed to the Old Bridewell, Devizes. Thomas Vizard, charged with feloniously stealing from Isaac Hill, in the parish of Bremhill, a silver watch and five shillings in silver, and with putting him in danger of his life. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 3 August 1835**

1836

John Harding for two months for destroying game at Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 28 November 1836**

1839

Committed for trial: John Moore and Betsey Walker charged with having stolen one pair of velveteen breeches, the property of John Palmer of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 27 June 1839**

1840

William Bond for stealing articles of apparel at Bremhill – 6 months imprisonment. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 9 April 1840**

Committed to New Prison, Devizes. For trial: William Miller charged with having stolen a brass bowl, the property of George Hatherell at Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 30 July 1840**

1842

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. For trial: Rebecca Ponting for stealing apparel at Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Monday 28 March 1842**

1843

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. Sarah Bull and Rachael Minchin for three months each for leaving their children chargeable to the parish of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 23 March 1843**

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. Isaac Hand for one month and to find sureties for one year, for destroying game by night at Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 9 November 1843**

1844

Committed for trial: James Reeves and John Reeves (brothers) charged with stealing from the house of Joseph Carpenter one silver watch; the said James Reeves is further charged with stealing a gun, also the property of Joseph Carpenter of Bremhill. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 23 May 1844**

Wilts Midsummer Sessions Imprisonment with hard labour – 12 months: James and John Reeves, stealing from a dwelling house at Bremhill (James Reeves 3 months additional on another indictment). **Wiltshire Independent 11 July 1844**

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. Simon Barnes for one month for destroying fish, the property of Mrs Charlotte Starkie at Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 13 June 1844**

Committed to the New Prison Devizes. Benjamin Brittain for six weeks for breach of the game laws at Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 11 July 1844**

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. Charles Collar for three weeks for vagrancy at Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 22 August 1844**

Committed for trial. Brown Beasant, stealing two fowls the property of Joseph Summers at Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Saturday 30 November 1844**

1845

Committed for trial. William White and Walter Henly, charged with stealing two tame rabbits, the property of William Gingell at Bremhill. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 23 January 1845**

Salisbury Assizes. William White and Walter Henley, convicted of stealing two tame rabbits from William Gingell at Bremhill, were sentenced to a month's hard labour and to be whipped. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Saturday 8 March 1845**

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. Abraham Rivers of Bremhill for three months for destroying game in the parish. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 20 March 1845**

1846

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. James Smallcome for one month for having assaulted and beat George Bournes, police constable, at Bremhill. **Wiltshire Independent Thursday 23 July 1846**

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. Richard Rose, two months, for leaving his family chargeable at Bremhill. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Saturday 5 September 1846**

1847

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. John Ponting for six weeks for poaching at Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 11 November 1847**

1848

Committed for trial Isaac Ponting charged with stealing twenty pounds weight of lead the property of Benjamin Dodman of Bremhill. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 30 March 1848**

Committed to the New Prison, Devizes. For trial: Robert Smith charged with stealing a silk handkerchief, the property of Joseph Andrews at Bremhill. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 10 August 1848**

Robert Smith for stealing a pocket handkerchief at Bremhill – six weeks. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 17 August 1848**

John Ponting for one month and to find sureties for one year, for night poaching at Bremhill. **Bath Chronicle and Weekly Gazette Thursday 16 November 1848**

1849

Mary Taylor for three months for stealing half a peck of potatoes from Mr P Haddrell of Bremhill. **Devizes and Wiltshire Gazette Thursday 22 February 1849**

Daniel Hatherill feloniously assaulting Sarah Archer at Bremhill, 6 months and find sureties. **Salisbury and Winchester Journal Saturday 20 October 1849**